

## FOSS WANTS LAW TO FORBID STRIKE OF RAILROAD MEN

Threatens Extra Session of  
Legislature if New Haven  
Employees Vote to Go Out.

"CALAMITY TO PUBLIC."

Proposed Prohibition Would  
Provide Other Remedy for  
Grievances, Though.

BOSTON, Oct. 3.—Should a strike of engineers and firemen on the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad be ordered, Gov. Foss will ask for a special session of the Massachusetts Legislature to enact laws to prohibit all strikes of the railway employees within the Commonwealth. That is a declaration contained in a letter which the Governor sent last night to officers of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen at New Haven, Conn. The letter says, in part: "I am informed that the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen are now voting upon the proposal to inaugurate a strike upon the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, and that this strike, if authorized, will occur at such time as may be determined by a committee of which you are members."

WOULD ACT TO "PREVENT A  
PUBLIC CALAMITY."

"This is of grave concern to the people of Massachusetts. A strike upon the New Haven system means the stopping of the wheels of industry, loss of employment to hundreds of thousands of laborers, interference with the regular supply of food and fuel, and a consequent high death rate among invalids and infants. As Governor of the Commonwealth, I am bound to take such action as I can to prevent such a public calamity."

"The real issue is not between the railroad and its employees, but between the employees and the people of this Commonwealth; and the question is whether the lives of the people shall be placed in jeopardy by the maintenance of the seniority rule, and whether, in order to enforce this rule, our people must submit to the evils incident to a railroad strike."

"If this strike is declared it will become my duty to take such measures as are within my power to protect the people of this Commonwealth. To that end, if the strike is called, I shall ask the Council to join me in summoning a special session of the Legislature for the purpose of enacting laws, which, after providing effective remedies for all grievances of employees, shall absolutely prohibit strikes of railroad employees employed within the Commonwealth. For such action the laws of other countries supply useful precedents, and public sentiment in this Commonwealth will surely demand the enactment of similar legislation."

**CALLS ATTENTION OF MEN TO  
DUTY TO PUBLIC.**

"In conclusion, I wish to express the hope that you will weigh carefully the fact that the members of your organi-

zations are engaged in a public calling, and that they no less than the railroads owe a duty to the public. . . . When employees, even of public service corporations, appear to have a just grievance, the public is sometimes willing to submit to the inconvenience of a strike; but if you precipitate a strike upon the seniority issue you will invite the condemnation of every fair-minded man in New England and the nation."

**Vote to Strike Overwhelming, but  
No Immediate Danger.**

NEW HAVEN, Oct. 3.—Officials of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers said today that they had not yet received Gov. Foss's letter, and therefore declined to discuss it. Assistant Grand Chief L. L. Griffing arrived here late last night, and today will count the strike ballots that have been taken on the New Haven system during the last few days. It was said, unofficially, that the men will vote to strike by an overwhelming majority.

"This does not necessarily mean that the men will strike," said Chairman F. S. Evans. "It means that the men favor striking if their contentions cannot be gained in any other way."

**Consular Veteran Dead.**

Ramon Oscar Williams, eighty-three, for fifteen years United States Consul General in Havana, died yesterday of old age, at his home, No. 35 Cambridge place, Brooklyn. When nineteen he went to Cuba and became a Havana merchant. A revolution drove him out of business. After thirty-seven years he returned to the United States. President Grant appointed him Vice-consul at Havana, and in 1871 he became Consul General. He retired at the close of the second Cleveland Administration. Until the day before his death he dictated material for a history of Cuba.

## ALSO CLAIM IS MADE SUBJECT OF NEW SUIT

Alleged That Hannis Taylor Failed  
to Pay \$12,664 to In-  
terested Estates.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3.—Disagreement over the division of the famous Al-sop claim against the Government of Cuba, which was settled in 1911, with King George of England as arbiter, by an award to the claimants of \$904,666, has resulted in the filing of a suit in the District Court here by administrators of several estates interested. The claim made in the action is for \$12,664, which amount Hannis Taylor, ad-

ministrators of the estate of the late Stanhope Proctor of this city, has failed to pay, it is asserted, to the estates represented by the complainants.

Dr. Hannis Taylor, professor of constitutional and international law at the George Washington University, is one of the foremost experts in those subjects. He was Minister to Spain during the second Cleveland Administration.

In 1909 Dr. Henry Gouda, regius professor of civil law at Oxford, charged Dr. Taylor with plagiarism in his book, "The Science of Jurisprudence," and the controversy waxed hot. He was alleged to have used matter from former Ambassador Bryce's book, "Studies in History and Jurisprudence." Dr. Taylor was counsel for the United States before the Alaska Boundary Commission and is now practicing law in Washington.

## Don't Poison Baby.

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